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Title: PROCESS AND APPARATUS  
FOR HIGH PRESSURE GAS QUENCHING IN  
AN ATMOSPHERIC FURNACE

Examiner: Sikyin Ip

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND ACCOMPANYING FEESCommissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

(A) Extension of Time and Requisite Fee:

The undersigned Attorney respectfully petitions the Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for taking action in the above-identified application for a period of time indicated in the box below.

(1) Original Period for Response was Set to Expire on:  
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Respectfully submitted,

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